REMEDIATION AND REDEVELOPMENT (RR) NEWS FROM WISCONSIN DNR August 10, 2000

BRRTS ON THE WEB

The Remediation and Redevelopment Program is proud to announce that "BRRTS on the Web" is now available. BRRTS (Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment Tracking System) is our database of DNR activities at Locations where hazardous substance discharges to the environment have been reported. BRRTS is now available on the internet in a userfriendly, searchable format. Our web address for BRRTS on the Web is http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/brrts/ Before attempting to use the system, please click on the HELP button. This will give you more than assistance in navigating the system. Under the help button you will also find our data disclaimers, describing limitations on our data. For example, we have not attempted to verify public land survey site locations that have been reported to us. We are, however, actively working on obtaining geolocation data for the sites in BRRTS. Sites where unconfirmed contamination has been reported to DNR will generally not be available in BRRTS on the Web. And please remember, BRRTS never holds complete information about a site. One BRRTS entry may represent a paper file of six inches or more.

80 SAG GRANT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

DNR received 80 Site Assessment Grant (SAG) applications totaling \$1.8 million in requests by the August 1 deadline for the first round of grants under NR 168. About half the applicants were cities, 20% redevelopment authorities, 15% villages, 11% counties and 5% towns. \$1.015 million of the total \$1.45 million in SAG funding is available for small grants, and DNR will now rank these applications using the scoring system in NR 168. Applications will be scored after September 1, and the rankings and a tentative funding list will be published on the Community Financial Assistance (CFA) web page. http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/EL/Section/SAG.html The next due date is November 1 for large grants (between \$30,001 to \$100,000), when applicants can compete for \$435,000 of available funding. For an application and packet see the CFA web site or contact Valarie Thomas - CF/8, WI-DNR, P.O. Box 7921, Madison WI 53707-7921. For information about the SAG process, contact Percy Mather at 608-266-9263 or mathep@dnr.state.wi.us.

CONSULTANTS LIST FOR STATE CONTRACTS

The RR Program maintains a list of consultants that are eligible for consideration to conduct a state or federally funded project. In May of 1999 the RR Program sent copies of the existing consultant database for these contracts to 160 firms, requesting confirmation of continued interest and correction of their records. 100 firms responded and their records have been updated. The RR Program will send reminder letters to the 60 firms that did not respond. If those firms don't respond within a month, they will receive a final letter indicating that DNR is removing them from the database. Consulting firms that are not currently in the database and would like to complete the questionnaire (Publication RR-026), can contact Anna Roherty at rohera@dnr.state.wi.us or call her at 608 267-0860.

CONSULTANTS LIST FOR THE PUBLIC

Publication RR-024 is a simple "name, address & phone number" listing of environmental consultants who have identified themselves as doing

work in Wisconsin. We maintain this list to help responsible persons locate consultants to conduct investigations and cleanups. It has been updated and the new version is available on the web at http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR024.pdf Please contact Anna Roherty at rohera@dnr.state.wi.us to add or amend an entry on this list

WHAT'S ELSE IS NEW ON THE WEB?

- The latest version of the RR Program's Publications Checklist (PUB-RR-582) is now available on the web at: http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR582.pdf To view publications on-line, with links to the individual publications, please go to: http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/archives/pub_index.html - The latest version of the UST Site Assessment Log (PUB-RR-549) is now available on the web. This is a database of sites where underground storage tanks have been removed and DNR has not requested a site investigation because little or no contamination was reported. A zip file of the publication in text format is available at http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/archives/pub_index.html#6 A pdf format is available at http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR549.pdf

BROWNFIELDS DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR IN MILWAUKEE

The Lorman Educational Services group is sponsoring a seminar titled "Brownfields Development in Wisconsin" on October 26, 2000. The conference will be a day long program with nine speakers from local governments, state government agencies (including DNR), law firms, and environmental consulting companies. The conference will discuss topics related to the cleanup and redevelopment of abandoned or under-used commercial or industrial properties where expansion or redevelopment is hindered by real or perceived contamination. Topics include state and local financial incentives, property transaction issues, environmental insurance, technical issues, voluntary cleanups, and more. The conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Milwaukee City Centre at 611 West Wisconsin Ave. from 8:30 to 4:30. For a brochure with the conference agenda, please contact Lorman at (715) 833-3959 or toll free at (888) 678-5565. There is a tuition cost for this program.

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